

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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United States Attorney Deborah R. Gilg and the Nebraska State Patrol announce the following information for the attention of the media:

## **Event Triggering this Release:**

Today the Honorable Laurie Smith-Camp sentenced Channon Crites to a prison term of 96 month following Crites' conviction for receiving child pornography. The Court also ordered that Crites' computer equipment be forfeited to the United States. In addition, Crites was ordered to serve 5 years of supervised release and pay a \$100 special assessment. The Nebraska State Patrol accessed child pornography from Crites' home computer on September 24, 2008. Later a search warrant revealed 11 videos and 64 images of child pornography on Crites' computer.

Name of Defendant: Channon Crites

AKA:

**Age:** 48

City of residence: Sutton, NE

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty):

Receipt of child pornography, 18 USC 2252(A)(a)(2)

5-20 years imprisonment, at least 5 yrs Supervised Release, \$250,000 fine, \$100 SA.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Sutton, NE

Location of Arrest: N/A

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: N/A

Others Charged in Same Scheme: N/A

## **Relevant Dates:**

**Date of Alleged Crime**: May 30, 2008, continuing to October 7, 2008

Federal Arrest Date: N/A

**Date Complaint Issued:** N/A

**Indictment Returned Date**: July 22, 2009

**Initial Appearance Date**: August 24, 2009

Plea or Trial and Date(s): Plea: January 11, 2010

Sentencing Date: March 29, 2010

**Next Court Hearing Type and Date:** N/A

**Assigned Magistrate Judge**: Thomas D. Thalken

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: Released on Bond

In Continuous Custody Since: N/A

**Assigned District Court Judge**: Laurie Smith-Camp

**Initials of Assigned AUSA/Preparer of THIS Release**: SAR